

Shall I Buy East or West?

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"More than twenty years ago, an English colony came into Stafford, Genesee County, N. Y., and bought some of the farms. They paid as high as \$50 per acre. The persons who sold went west, and many of them located on government land at \$1.25 per acre. To-day the profits are larger on the Genesee investments than on those made in the west. Many of the farms for which \$50 per acre was paid would sell for \$150 per acre, &c."—[Buffalo Commercial Advertiser.]

Where in the west could those who sold out in Stafford go without finding lands rising faster than that?

Did they take up farms in Iowa? The average rise in value of farms there in the score of years ending with 1870, was much more than is claimed by Staffordian lands, namely: three hundred and twenty-one per cent., and the average value per acre was \$25.26, though most of them had been bought since 1850, and often for less than for more than one single dollar.

Where then did the wanderers from Stafford settle? Was it in Nebraska? Then it would have been still harder for them to make worse investments than the English did who had bought them out. At a meeting of the American Institute Farmers' Club, Feb. 17th, 1873, one J. Sterling Morton stated that in 1854, he pre-empted 160 acres near Nebraska City for \$200, just what four acres in Stafford had lately sold for; and that he had been offered \$200 an acre for an unimproved portion of the same land.

But perhaps the Staffordians were among the Nebraska homesteaders, 12-304 of whom had filed their claims in Lincoln alone previous to the last New Year's. But then they obtained farms of 80 or 160 acres apiece,—each whole farm costing less than half as much as they sold every single acre of their old farms for. But all land in Nebraska farms was valued in 1870 at \$14.58 an acre.

The more I think of the Staffordians, the more I am puzzled as to where in the wide west I shall think of their local habitation. They remind me of the letter the postmaster knew not what to do with, when he read the superscription "John Smith, Valley of the Mississippi."

When I perceive that the average valuation of each farming acre while rising in Genesee County one hundred and two per cent. and in New York at large, from \$29 in 1859 to \$57.35, in 1870, has risen throughout Illinois from \$7.98 to \$35.95, in Iowa from \$6 to \$25.26, and in Nebraska from nothing at all to \$14.58, I cannot fail to echo Greeley's slogan, "Go West!" I cannot wonder that of the only ten States which have each more than 200,000 foreign immigrants, seven lie west of the Alleghenies, and that three times as many native Americans who had their birth near the Atlantic, rise to a higher plane beyond the Mississippi.

The only hint I wish to give to an European just landed, and urged to buy on the Atlantic slope, is: "Find out the real reason the Eastern farmer wishes to sell." In nine cases out of ten it is because he wants himself to go West. But why be content with his leavings,—a sort of last year's bird's nest? Go yourself where he longs to go, and will go as soon as he is as free as you are. He is Esop's fox at the bottom of a well, coaxing goats and donkeys to jump in, that he may jump on their backs, horns and ears, so as to get out himself!

Mother Goose sings:
"There was an old fellow who lived in his skin,
When he pays out do you pay in."

But his slough will prove a poor fit; keep your own skin, and go where you can fashion all surroundings to your mind!

—Now your turnips, somewhere in the back or front yard, no matter, so you sow.

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SUPPORT business men of your own State. Buy Nursery Stock of men who are near you—of whose reputation you can have positive evidence, whether it is good or bad, honest or dishonest.

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Sheriff's Sale, 4—Cause 553.

NOTICE is hereby given, that by virtue of a certified copy of a decree issued from the office of the Clerk of the Dubois Circuit Court, and to me directed, requiring me to make the sum of five hundred and fifty-seven dollars and 80 cents, with interest on said decree and costs, I will proceed to offer for sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash in hand, at the door of Court House of Dubois county, Indiana, in the town of Jasper, on

SATURDAY, August 30th, 1873,

between the hours of 10 o'clock, A. M., and 4 o'clock, P. M., of said day, the rents and profits for a term not exceeding seven years of the following described real estate situated in Dubois county, State of Indiana, to-wit:

The east half of the north east quarter of section No. thirty-two (32), in township No. one (1), north of range four (4) west, containing eighty acres, more or less.

And on failure to realize the full amount of principal, interest and costs called for by said decree, I will at the same time and place, and in like manner sell the fee simple of said real estate, or so much thereof as may be sufficient to discharge said decree, interest and costs.

Taken as the property of George Danhoefer and Margaret Danhoefer, at the suit of Absalom Harbison.

Said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisal laws of the State of Indiana.

JOHN WEIKEL, Sheriff D. C.

WILL A. TRAYLOR Atty.

July 18th, 1873—3w.

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LAWN MOWER OF THE WORLD.



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10-inch cut, elegant mower, a beautiful little machine for small lawns, croquet grounds, croquet fields, easily operated by a small lad or maid of 12 years, price \$20; 12-inch, \$24; 14-inch, standard size, \$27; 16-inch, price \$30; 18-inch, price \$34; 20-inch, price \$38; 22-inch, price \$42; 24-inch, price \$46; 26-inch, price \$50; 28-inch, price \$54; 30-inch, price \$58; 32-inch, price \$62; 34-inch, price \$66; 36-inch, price \$70; 38-inch, price \$74; 40-inch, price \$78; 42-inch, price \$82; 44-inch, price \$86; 46-inch, price \$90; 48-inch, price \$94; 50-inch, price \$98; 52-inch, price \$102; 54-inch, price \$106; 56-inch, price \$110; 58-inch, price \$114; 60-inch, price \$118; 62-inch, price \$122; 64-inch, price \$126; 66-inch, price \$130; 68-inch, price \$134; 70-inch, price \$138; 72-inch, price \$142; 74-inch, price \$146; 76-inch, price \$150; 78-inch, price \$154; 80-inch, price \$158; 82-inch, price \$162; 84-inch, price \$166; 86-inch, price \$170; 88-inch, price \$174; 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